

Pray let me have your opinion
on the above points

I am now at Apocynon

Yours very sincerely
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My dear Gray

I have now done the
Juncineae including Oleaceae part
of it. but there are two or three
points I should like to have your
opinion upon

I have four tribes

1 Juncineae Juncinum Menodora and
Cystanthus

2 Cyperaceae Schrebera Poryphyta and Cyperus

3 Trapaenae Trapaenae and Poulaneria

4 Oleaceae

in corolla unilobata

Forestiera Phyllaea (P. maunthaus and Phio
maunthaus)

in petals lobes

Leiodora (including Leiodora ^{ad} maunthaus)
and Atilia and Porrocha

*** Corolla undecimloba valvata
Olea sequestroium and Mycopopium

The true Olea are constantly valvata -
and therefore Ormanthus must I think
be kept up for O. americana O. fragrans
O. aquifolium O. marginata O. sandwicensis,
and two other Calidoneis species

Chionanthus must be limited I think
to C. virginica, C. retusa from China
and I believe an unpublished species
from China

For Salvadora and Torreya I
adopt your views

Linociera is the great difficulty
L. ligustrina, L. latifolia and L. malabarica
(Olea linocieroides Wright) have a woody
endosperm and fleshy albumen.

L. compacta, L. glomerata Pohl and L.
mandioccaea Eichl. as well as all the
old world species of which the fruit is
known except L. malabarica have a
mucilaginous endosperm, no albumen and
fleshy cotyledons

yet I cannot well make two genera
first because L. latifolia and L. compacta

for instance are so much alike as to be
difficult to distinguish in flower -
hence Greibach's Cuban L. compacta is
L. latifolia although we have also the
true L. compacta from Cuba

2nd there are at least a dozen species
of which the fruit is unknown

Chionanthus grisebachii appears to me to be
a true Linociera - we have no fruit

I am not quite certain of the
distinction of Chionanthus virginica
the lobes are so narrow and so early
open - but I see no sign of the turning
in of the margins as in Linociera. And
the Chinese C. retusa which has the
lobes like those of C. virginica has them
certainly imbricate as in Torreya
or Ormanthus etc

Picea goes into Podalium

Persea into Olea

Vicia into Sequestroium

Salvadoraceae are certainly very
close upon Jasminaceae and might
be made a fifth tribe but we think
it best to keep it as a small Order